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THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" The total amount of fines collected for sivoijama occupation in 923·80 acres of land in Gingee taluk for fasli 1362 was Rs. 7,545-9-0."

SRI K. ARANGANATHAN :—" தடை இல்லாமல் அனுபவித்து வரும் (Sivoījama) ஏழை மக்களின் நிலங்களை ஏன் சர்க்கார் அவர்களுக்கு ஜாரி செய்து கொடுக்கக்கூடாது ? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Yes, Sir, that is being done, but the whole thing cannot be done in a short time."

Government Headquarters Hospital, Cuddalore.

* 202 *Q.*—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state the total number of beds in the Government Headquarters Hospital at Cuddalore in 1952?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" 160."

SRI K. ARANGANATHAN :—" Sir, do the Government consider it sufficient for the Headquarters Hospital at Cuddalore to have only a limited number of beds? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" Sir, there is a proposal to increase the bed strength and employ additional staff in this hospital."

SRI A. GOVINDASWAMI NAYAGAR :—" கடலூர் தாலூக்காவிலுள்ள ஆஸ்பத்திரிகளில் வியாதிஸ்தர்கள் மழையாலும், குளிராலும் பாதிக்கப்பட்டு தாழ்வரத்திலேயே படுத்துக் கொண்டிருப்பது அரசாங்கத்திற்குத் தெரியுமா? அதற்கு வேண்டிய போதுமான நடவடிக்கை எடுக்க அரசாங்கம் முன்வருமா ? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" Yes, Sir, it is so in most of the hospitals. All our hospitals are over-crowded."

SRI V. R. NAGARAJAN :—" Sir, I may bring to the notice of the Hon. the Minister for Health that everywhere in South Arcot district the number of patients is increasing out of proportion to the ability of the Government to maintain them. Would the Government take all possible steps to improve the conditions in the matter of buildings and also in the matter of staff in the hospitals in South Arcot? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" Yes, Sir, every year the bed strength is increased in several of the hospitals, where it is found urgently necessary to provide additional accommodation and to the extent our funds permit."

Maintenance of the road from Gingee-Villupuram road to Ananthapuram.

* 203 *Q.*—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN : Will the Hon the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state under whose control the village road leading from 18/4 miles in Gingee-Villupuram road to Ananthapuram is?